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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Maximilian ARZBERGER, Igenhausen, Germany

for METHOD FOR MAKING A TRENCH WALL IN THE GROUND, TRENCH WALL CUTTER AND TRENCH WALL CUTTING DEVICE. The application comprises a 10-page specification, including 9 claims (2 independent) and Abstract and $\underline{4}$ sheets of drawings.

Also enclosed are the following:

Preliminary Amendment;

A certified copy of German Application No. 103 08 538.6, filed February 27, 2003, the priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and which is hereby incorporated by reference.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. \$1.53(f) (without Declaration or Filing Fee). The required Declaration and Filing Fee will be filed subsequently.

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